

## Message Text

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FM AMEMBASSY ADDIS ABABA  
TO SECSTATE WASHDC IMMEDIATE 3657

C O N F I D E N T I A L ADDIS ABABA 2522

E.O. 11652: GDS  
TAGS: PFOR, ET, US  
SUBJ: PRESENCE OF WESTERN PRESS IN ETHIOPIA

REF: A. ADDIS BABA 1743, B. ADDIS ABABA 1722,  
C. ADDIS ABABA 1691, D. ADDIS ABABA 1594

APR 25 MIDDAY ETHIOPIAN RADIO BROADCAST ANNOUNCED THREE  
REMAINING WESTERN PRESS REPS, WASHPOST, REUTERS, AND AGENCE  
FRANCE PRESS, HAVE BEEN GIVE 48 HOURS TO LEAVE ETHIOPIA. EMBOFF  
CONTACTED WASHPOST CORRESPONDENT DAVID OTTAWAY AND WAS ASSURED HE  
PREPARED FOR EPMG ACTION, ALTHOUGH NOT INFORMED BEFORE  
BROADCAST, AND HE AND FAMILY WOULD BE ABLE TO MEET  
DEADLINE WITHOUT TOO MUCH DIFFICULTY OR INCONVENIENCE.  
EXPLANATION GIVEN FOR EXPULSION WAS, "THREE CORRES-  
PONDENTS IN QUESTION HAVE BEEN DISTORTING OUT OF ALL  
PROPORTION EVENTS IN ETHIOPIA IN GENERAL AND PROGRESS  
OF ONGOING REVOLUTION OF BROAD MASSES IN PARTICULAR."  
CORRESPONDENTS FURTHER ACCUSED OF BEING MAIN SOURCE OF  
FALLACIOUS AND TOTALLY BIASED DISPATCHES UDED BY  
ENEMIES OF ETHIOPIA. THEY ALSO CHARGED WITH  
IGNORING OFFICIAL GOVT STATEMENTS, RELYING  
ON HEARSAY AND RUMOR, AND COLLABORATING WITH  
COUNTER-REVOLUTIONARY ELEMENTS LIKE ELF,  
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